

תוכן ענינים

התוועדות י"ט כסלו - תשמ"ב

Sicha 1: With the approach of each holiday, Torah instructs us to recount its story, for it carries a timely message; by discussing the story, we encourage ourselves to implement the lesson in our daily lives.

Yud Tes Kislev commemorates the Alter Rebbe's liberation from Czarist imprisonment. He was arrested for spreading Torah and Chassidus fearlessly, and his liberation opened new vistas in the expansion of Chassidus.

Recounting this story, therefore, should awaken us to similar ideals, to spread Chassidus far and wide, with self-sacrifice and perseverance.

Sicha 2: In the letter disseminated after his release, the Alter Rebbe focuses on peace, rather than Torah and Judaism. Why?

At the Giving of the Torah, Hashem proclaimed, "I am the L-rd your G-d Who took you out of Egypt". Why didn't He say, "Who created heaven and earth?"

Hashem's true greatness is revealed when opposites are united. Therefore, elevating Egypt is superior to the creation of heaven and earth; it is, in fact, the ultimate purpose of creation. Therefore, at Har Sinai, Hashem's voice had no echo. All of creation absorbed His voice and was united with Him. Hashem's ultimate revelation is thus a concept of unity and peace.

For this reason the Alter Rebbe focuses on peace; his work was in order to reveal Elokus in the world, which is the ultimate peace – a peace between creator and creation.

Sicha 3: Along with the focus on peace, the Alter Rebbe repeatedly mentions that his release was revealed and even facilitated by the non-Jews. The lesson for us is to promote a true peace among the nations, by promoting the Sheva Mitzvos B'nei Noach.



Instead of governments building jails and hiring police and judges to impose law and order, they should invest in proper education, thus preventing all of those issues peacefully.

School administrations also have an obligation to organize extracurricular activities that will extend the school's positive influence beyond classroom hours.

Sicha 4: Tzivos Hashem, was founded to gather Jewish children together outside of school, to be impressed with the message that they are soldiers in Hashem's Army. Every Jewish child should have a letter in a collective Torah scroll.

Sicha 5: Hadran on Minyan Hamitzvos - in honor of the Mivtzah of Ois B'sefer Torah

Sicha 6: Hadran on Maseches Brachos - in honor of the Chalukas Hashas

Sicha 7: Chalukas Hashas

Sicha 8: It is customary on Chanukah to organize special gatherings for children to strengthen their connection to their heritage, and deepen their bond with parents and teachers. They should also be encouraged to join a communal Sefer Torah.

Regarding the situation in the Land of Israel: We must declare that Eretz Yisrael belongs to the nation of Israel and we must not be influenced by the non-Jews inside of ourselves. This is the clear Halacha; in contrast to the claim of several individuals, who maintain – based on false testimony – that relinquishing land isn't dangerous. The facts are: No peace was achieved by the Camp David Accords. The only thing achieved is more pressure on Israel.

Maamar: Padah Beshalom – peace in our Avodas Hashem.

Sicha 9: The Ten Mivtzoim should be especially bolstered and intensified

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